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LIVING FLOWER BUDS MUST BE PRESENT IN BULBS AT PLANTING TIME

If you cut through a flower bulb in the fall, you will find the embryo of the flower inside the bulb and complete in every detail, as the Tulip bulb photograph above illustrates. This is the actual flower which will bloom in your garden next spring! This embryo flower begins to grow during the summer months and is nurtured on the Holland bulb farms. It is most important that the bulbs are properly handled to encourage the proper development of the embryo.

FLOWER BULBS MUST BE PROTECTED

After the bulbs are harvested, it is essential that the flower bud which has started to grow is carefully guarded. Our bulbs are thus protected by keeping them at proper temperatures and the right atmosphere. In addition, no machines are used which might cause injury to the bulb and embryo. It's all hand labor -a real labor of love, which results in each bulb being a perfect specimen capable of superior performance.

DELIVERY: Our prices include all transportation charges and arrival of the bulbs in good condition at your address.

FRAGRANT Hyacinths DUTCH

ALL BULBS EXPERTLY PACKED AND HANDLED

Your bulbs come direct from the bulb farm in Holland. Bulbs are dug at the proper time and taken care of by experts after harvesting so that the embryo flower in the bulb is well preserved. Only top-quality bulbs are selected, and these are individually packed in special bags which keep the bulbs in best condition. You receive the bulbs just as they come from Holland, in fresh and healthy condition.

PRIOR TO SHIPMENT FROM HOLLAND THE BULBS ARE IN-SPECTED BY BOTH THE AMERICAN AND DUTCH AGRICULTURAL INSPECTORS FOR SIZE, QUALITY AND DISEASE.

YOU RECEIVE YOUR BULBS IN PERFECT CONDITION WHEN ORDERED FROM THIS CATALOG

All the Holland bulbs you receive through us are sure to bloom and are true to name because they are grown and handled with just that in mind-that they will grow for you and provide you with the most beautiful spring garden you've ever had! It's easy, too, when you follow the simple planting instructions and suggestions which are enclosed with every shipment. These instructions must be carefully followed, and naturally our liability is limited to the purchase price of the bulbs.

EXHIBITION HYACINTHS

These large-size bulbs produce enormous flower spikes, densely packed with dainty, bell-shaped flowers and highly perfumed. The following varieties are especially recommended for pots and window boxes, as well as for garden use.

BISMARCK. Sky-blue. CITY OF HAARLEM. Yellow. JAN BOS. Bright red. 3 for 95c

OSTARA. China-blue. PINK PEARL. Pink QUEEN OF THE WHITES. White. 10 for \$2.80 50 for \$11.75



GARDEN HYACINTHS

The biggest thrill of the spring comes when Hyacinths suddenly appear above the ground with their large flower heads bursting into bloom in the brightest colors. The following are especially suitable for garden planting and will provide ample color when it is so much needed in the garden.

SNOW-WHITE SKY-BLUE CHINA-BLUE

DELICATE PINK BRIGHT RED PURE YELLOW

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10	for	\$1.70	
50	for	\$7.10	



Rainbow Mixture of Garden Hyacinths

Very few flowers have colors which harmonize as beautifully as Hyacinths. For this reason, this amazing mixture of the brightest colors is specially suitable to plant as a solid bed, or scattered in clumps throughout the garden. 25 for \$3.55 100 for \$13.00 10 for \$1.55



50 GARDEN HYACINTHS \$8.50 10 each of 5 colors as illustrated

COLLECTION 4





spring. They do well in almost all soils and situations and are a permanent addition to the garden.

DAFFODILS, Giant Trumpet

The bold, giant Trumpet Daffodils enjoy the greatest popularity.	The	ey n	nake a	
superb picture when planted in groups by themselves or when combi	ned	with	h Blue	
Grape Hyacinths or other early-flowering bulbs.	10	0	50	
KING ALFRED. Rich, lustrous golden vellow throughout	.\$1	85	\$8 50	
FLOWER CARPET. Large, deep vellow trumpet. Very free-flowering	2	10	9 50	
MAGNIFICENCE. Uniform golden vellow trumpet and perianth	. 2	10	9 50	
MOUNT HOOD. The finest pure white trumpet Daffodil	. 3	05	14 50	
MRS. E. H. KRELAGE. Pure white perianth with creamy white trum	-			
pet	. 1	65	7 50	
PRESIDENT LEBRUN. The pure yellow trumpet contrasts beautifully	v			
with the white perianth		55	12 00	

NARCISSUS, Short-cupped, Bouquet, Double

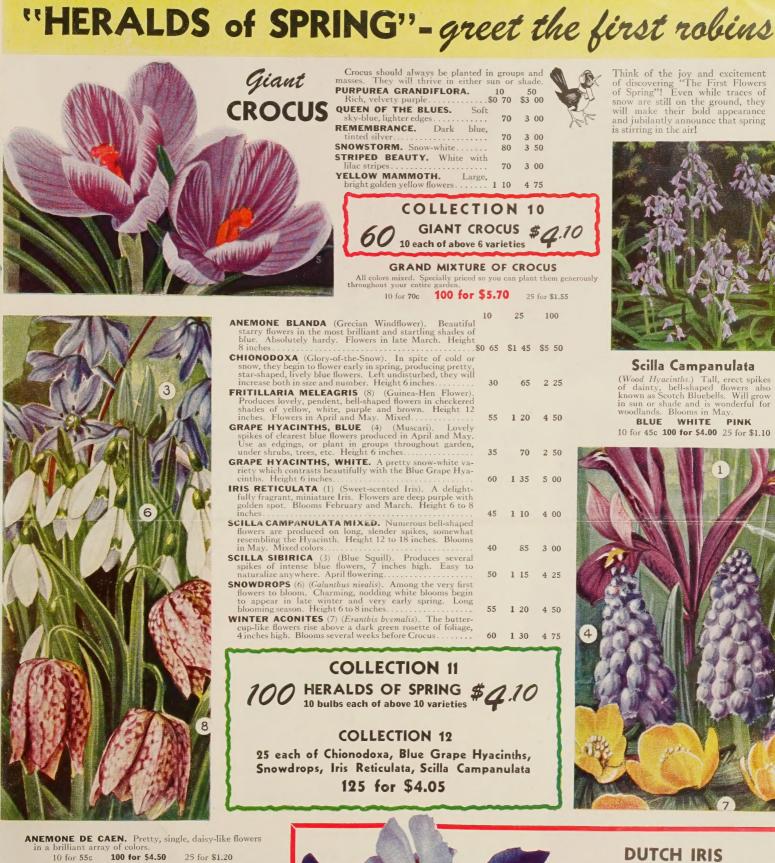
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The cheerful, free-flowering Narcissus are a marvel of beauty	in early s	pring	. TI	he
charming short-cupped varieties have a crown of contrasting cold	or in the c	enter	. TI	ĥe
Bouquet varieties are highly fragrant and have several flowers on	each sten	n. wh	ile th	he
Double has the center of the bloom filled with many petals.		,		
CHEERFULNESS. (Double Bouquet.) Creamy white, double f	lowers 1	.0	50	j
three or four on a stem	\$1	25	\$5 :	50
FIRETAIL. White perianth with small cup of orange-scarlet			6	
FORTUNE. Yellow perianth with large orange crown			7 (
GERANIUM. (Bouquet.) Pure white perianths with scarlet cup			8 (
JOHN EVELYN. White perianth with frilled, large yellow crow			6 2	
MONIQUE. White perianth with yellow crown, edged scarlet		55	7 (00
PRIMROSE CHEERFULNESS. (Double Bouquet.) The	yellow			
Cheerfulness	1	75	8 (00
SCARLET ELEGANS. Deep yellow perianth and orange-red cup		50	6 '	75
TEXAS. (Double.) Pale yellow with orange-red petals throu				-
center		95	9 (00
THALIA. (Bouquet.) The Orchid-flowered Narcissus. Three o		20	-	00
white flowers with reflexing petals to a stem		OF	8 :	- 0
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PAPER-WHITE NARCISSUS

White, sweet-scented Narcissus for growing indoors in bowls filled with pebbles and water. 25 for \$2.65 10 for \$1.15 100 for \$10.00

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RANUNCULUS, French Hybrids. These spider-shaped bulbs produce large, turban-shaped heads of fully double flowers in a wide range of colors. 10 for 55c 100 for \$4.50 25 for \$1.20

"Heralds of Spring" MIXTURE FOR NATURALIZING

Here is a wonderful opportunity to become acquainted with all the charming Heralds, as all the many different varieties are included. Some are the boldest flowers imaginable—quite impatient, for they will toss their heads right above the late winter snows! Plant as many as space permits under trees, shrubs, in rock gardens, along garden paths. They all multiply freely.

INEXPENSIVE MIXTURE OF IRIS.

The bulbous Iris produce large	e flowe	ers o	n
rong stems, which makes them e	xcepti	anall	37
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RONZE BEAUTY. Bronze	\$0 60	\$2 5	0
OLDEN HARVEST. Yellow	50	2 0	0
IMPERATOR. Deep			
blue	50	2 0	0
WEDGWOOD. Blue	60	2 5	0
WHITE EXCELSIOR.			
White	50	2.0	0

COLLECTION 13 10 each of 5 Iris varieties 50 for \$2.25

100 for \$3.00 25 for 85c

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CLARA BUTT Height 26 inches 10 for \$1.00 50 for \$4.25



ARISTOCRAT Height 28 inche 10 for \$1.25 50 for \$5.50

GOLDEN HARVEST Height 26 inches 10 for 95c 50 for \$4.00

SUNKIST Height 26 inche. 10 for \$1.05 50 for \$4.50

ARISTOCRAT. Dark rose. GLORIA SWANSON. Crimson. CLARA BUTT. Salmon-pink. SUNKIST. Golden vellow. QUEEN OF THE NIGHT. Maroon-black.

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FLOWERBUD

IS IN

THE BULB

Each variety separately packed and labeled

50 for \$4.80

THE TOP TEN DARWIN TULIPS GOLDEN HARVEST. Yellow. PRIDE OF ZWANENBURG. Deep pink. INSURPASSABLE. Lilac DUKE OF WELLINGTON. White. SCARLET LEADER. Scarlet. **COLLECTION 15**

The Inside Beauty of

ECLIPSE "THE TULIP THAT HAS EVERYTHING"

A radiant Tulip revealing in-side beauty as petals open wide. Blooms Longer Than Any Other Tulip Most Perfect Form Big Size 25 for \$3.00

10 for \$1.30

QUEEN OF THE NIGHT Height 28 inches 10 for \$1.00 50 for \$4.25

Your Dutch Uncle reveals:

The Story of the Inside of Tulip Bulbs

The Tulip bulb illustrated has been cut through to show the inside. The flower bud, which must be present and living if the bulb is to bloom, is shown in the very center enveloped in a casing that will grow into the leaves of the Tulip. The thick, starchy layers surrounding the bud and leaves protect and nourish the embryo.

It is essential that the so-called "dormant" bulbs are given the proper storing and handling in order that the important "inside" of the bulbs may remain fresh and healthy all through the curing period-while they are in transituntil you plant them.

All varieties are expertly packed in Holland in special unit bags to keep the bulbs in best condition.

 Eclipse Is Noted
 For Its Firm Texture 100 for \$11.50

We have assembled, in one outstanding collection, these varieties which we personally feel to be the very finest and of such splendor, they defy description. No other Darwin Tulips can compete 50 for \$4.50 with them for color, size of bloom, and top-notch performance. Bursting into glorious blooms in May, these long-stemmed beauties will add gaiety and magnificent color to your garden, turning it into a fairyland of Dutch Masterpieces.

the "TOP TEN."

INSURPASSABLE Height 26 inches 10 for \$1.10

50 for \$4.75

PRIDE OF ZWANENBURG Height 28 inche 10 for \$1.10 50 for \$4.75

DUKE OF WELLINGTON Height 26 inches 10 for \$1.00 50 for \$4.25

100 for \$9.25 10 each of the top 10 varieties

AS ILLUSTRATED ON THESE PAGES

PLUS 5 FREE ECLIPSE TULIPS

With every order for 100 Tulips in 10 varieties we will include FREE 5 Eclipse Tulips, making a total of 105 TULIPS FOR ONLY \$9.25!

> SCARLET LEADER Height 26 inches 10 for \$1.05

Plant them against a dark green hedge, garden wall, fence, or similar background. Use them in clumps in the border, in groups between evergreens, or in beds by themselves. No matter where you plant them, these Tulips will make an unforgettable picture and give you the most thrilling display you've ever had! With these collections of Darwin Tulip varieties, you can make spring the most colorful and exciting event of your gardening year! Years of testing and growing have proved these to be the ultimate in Tulips and certainly deserving of their position as

The Capricious

PARROT TULIPS and wat had not be man had been but

Curious novelties with slashed and fringed petals, capriciously marked with splashes of green. Always cye-catching because of their whimsical forms and coloring. Plant in groups throughout borders, in front of shrubs and evergreens. Unsurpassed for cut-flower arrangements.

- BLACK PARROT. Rarest and most exotic
 50

 of Tulips. Immense, purplish black flower
 carried on stem 28 inches high.......\$1
 75
 \$7
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- BLUE PARROT. Glorious, bright blue, flushed steel-blue. Deeply fringed flowers, astonishing in size. 24 inches high...... 1 40 6 00 **FANTASY.** Lovely, clear rose-pink with shadings of velvety rose. Handsomely laciniated and scalloped. Height 22 inches.
- 1 10 4 75 FIREBIRD. Enormous flower of intense,
- fiery red. A rare beauty, always a sensation when in bloom. 22 inches high. 1 15 5 00
- **ORANGE FAVORITE.** Glistening, deep orange with rose tint and softly feathered green. Most fragrant Tulip. 23 inches high. 1 05
- 4 50 **SUNSHINE.** Most charming Parrot of clear golden yellow with artistically fringed and daintily cut petals. Grows 14 inches high. 1 50
- 6 50

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SUNSHINE	and the	10 fe \$1.5
SPECIAL	MIXTURE OF F	ARROT
A brilliant	TULIPS mixture of the most Fulips, with many whi	unusual and msical shapes

Amazing New BOUQUET TULIPS A Whole Bouquet of Tulips from Every Bulb!

Imagine several dazzling Tulips from a single stem! Each bulb will produce one main stem growing approximately 20 inches high with side branches, each branch carrying its own Tulip flower!

RADIANT RED. (Bouquet.) Magnificent, brilliant red. Intense color is almost blind-ing. Very large flowers.

- 3 for 70c 10 for \$1.90 25 for \$4.50
- **GEORGETTE.** (Multiflora.) An exquisite Bouquet of Tulips! Soft yellow with red edge.

10 for \$1.70 25 for \$3.90 3 for 60c

M. MOTTET. (Multiflora.) Four or more creamy white flowers are gracefully borne on strong main stems. When in full bloom develops delicate rose flush. 10 for \$1.70 25 for \$3.90 3 for 60c

BLACK PARROT

\$3.65

COLLECTION 16

COLLECTION 17

10 of each variety 60 for \$6.90

Parrot Tulips 5 each of 6 varieties



Botanical Tulips

3 for 65c 10 for \$1.90

Spectacular ROSY WINGS The Largest of May-Flowering Tulips!

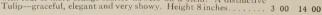
Magnificent beyond words. The immense flower is gracefully elon-gated, with recurving outer petals. Color is a delicious watermelon-pink with a creamy white heart and blue stamens. Flower held erect during entire blooming season. Unmatched in beauty. 28 inches tall.

Their odd, curious shapes and contrasting color combinations make these Tulips delightful subjects for the garden. Low-growing, they are ideal for planting in the rock garden. Leave undisturbed, for they increase in beauty year after year! April flowering.

CLUSIANA (The Candystick Tulip). Resembles a peppermint stick. 50 Glistening white with crimson stripe on outer petals. 14 inches high.\$1 10 \$4 75

KAUFMANNIANA or WATERLILY TULIP. Star-shaped flower of soft primrose-yellow with golden yellow center. Outer petals marked crimson. One of the most unusual and striking Tulips. Height 6 inches..... 2 75 12 50

PRAESTANS FUSILIER (Quadruplet Tulip). Charming Tulips with four or more orange-scarlet flowers on a stem! A distinctive Tulip-graceful, elegant and very showy. Height 8 inches.....



The Gigantic **RED EMPEROR**

50 for \$8.75

This famous Tulip is the largest ever cultivated! The color is the most bril-liant scarlet and of such intensity as to be almost blinding in effect! Interior has black base, edged yellow. Blooms with early Daffodils and grows 18 inches high.

3 for 55c 25 for \$3.75 10 for \$1.60



A new group of hybrids with the peculiar character-istic of unfurling their blossoms full and wide-revealing magnificent color variations in a manner similar to the peacock, which proudly displays its feathers. Each Tulip displays an amazing variety of harmonious colors, and the foliage is distinctly striped purple-brown. The exotic flowers are long-lasting, blooming continuously from the time of the early to the late-flowering Tulips. Heights vary from 8 to 18 inches. Supply still limited.

25 for \$6.50

3 for 95c 10 for \$ 2.80

10 for \$1.75

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EARLY-FLOWERING TULIPS

Among the most welcome sights in spring is the bursting in bloom of the Early-flowering Tulips. They commence to bloom in April and provide a variety of brilliant colors in the garden till the May-flowering Tulips take over the crown of beauty. They are exceptionally valuable for planting in formal beds or in front of evergreens. The tall varieties bloom a little later than the shorter varieties. 10 50 **CASSINI.** Large flower of brilliant, fiery red. Height 20 inches.....\$1 45 \$6 25 HIS EXCELLENCY.Bright yellow with glossy sheen.Height
20 inches20 inches1 305 50IBIS.Deep rose, changing to clear pink at edges.Height 14 inches...1 004 25 KEIZERSKROON. Bright crimson with vellow border. Height 16

1 70 7 50 ORANGE WONDER. Beautiful glossy orange. Height 20 inches... 1 30 5 50 WHITE HAWK. Large, globular flower of pure white. Height 14 05 4 00

Peony-Flowered

The huge flower heads, which are packed with numerous flower petals, resemble peonies. The massive flowers are supported on strong stems. The short-stemmed varieties are the Early-flowering kind, whereas the tall-stemmed varieties are the May-flowering kind. The long-lasting qualities of the Peony Tulips make them particularly valuable for bedding purposes. 10 50 .\$1 10 \$4 75 8 25 MR. VAN DER HOEFF. Large, pure yellow flower. Height 12 4 00 95

MOUNT TACOMA. (Late flowering.) Exquisitely formed; pure white. Height 20 inches. 95 4 00 NIZZA. (Late flowering.) C. bright red. Height 20 inches. Clear yellow, beautifully flaked with 1 00 4 25 PEACH BLOSSOM. Deep rose-pink, flushed white. Height 12 . 1 10 4 75

RAINBOW DARM MIXTURE TULIPS

An inexpensive mixture for you who prefer various colors mixed together instead of one-color groups. This Rainbow Mixture is bright and striking, well proportioned for color harmony. Besides the beautiful effect it creates in the garden, it gives a wealth of flowers for cutting.

10 for 90c 25 for \$1.95

100 for \$6.90



Rembrandt **TULIP MIXTURE**

These flamboyant Tulips are rightly named after the celebrated painter. Each flower is fantastically striped, feathered and flamed in a variety of colors as if mixed on the artist's palette. Height 24 in.

> 10 for \$1.05 100 for \$9.00

25 for \$2.40



Tulips from March to May

Yes, you too can have continuous Tulip blooms in your garden for 8 weeks or more. Plant your Tulips according to their blooming season in those places where you want Tulip flowers at the time each group will bloom.

EARLIEST—bloom in March MEDIUM EARLY—bloom early April MIDSEASON—bloom late April LATE SEASON—bloom in May LATEST—bloom late May

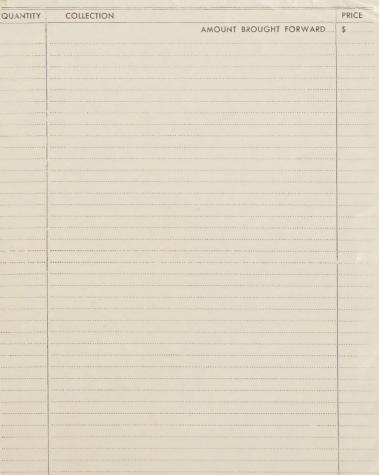
COLLECTION 22 10 bulbs each of above 5 Tulip groups 50 MARCH-MAY TULIPS # 2,75

COLLECTION 20 5 each of above 6 Peony-flowered varieties 30 Peony Tulips #3.20 **COLLECTION 21** 10 bulbs of each ... 60 for \$6.00

PEONY-FLOWERED MIXTURE

A spectacular display can be obtained by planting this mixture of all colors of the Double Early-flowering kinds close together. 10 for 95c 100 for \$7.75

25 for \$2.10



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	2.	6	EXHIBITION HYACINTHS in 6 varieties	1.80	
	3.	30	GARDEN HYACINTHS in 6 colors	5.50	
• ••••••		50	GARDEN HYACINTHS in 5 colors	8.50	
••••••		30	TRUMPET DAFFODILS in 6 varieties	6.40	
••••••		30	NARCISSUS in 10 varieties	4 60	
	1	35	DAFFODILS & NARCISSUS in 7 varieties	5.80	
		50	DAFFODILS-NARCISSUS for Naturalizing	3.45	
		100	DAFFODILS-NARCISSUS for Naturalizing	6.35	
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		50	DARWIN TULIPS in 10 "Top Ten" varieties	4.80	
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		12	BOTANICAL TULIPS in 4 varieties	2.50	
		30	EARLY-FLOWERING TULIPS in 6 varieties	3.55	
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	21.	50	PEONY TULIPS in 6 varieties	6.00	
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Majestic LILIES No other plants possess as many charms a stately in form, rich in colors and delicatefull

No other plants possess as many charms as Liliesstately in form, rich in colors and delightfully fragrant. They do best in the hardy border or among shrubbery. Once established, they will increase in beauty each year.

CANDIDUM (Madonna Lily). Lovely snow-white Lily. Very fra- grant. Height 4 feet. Blooms in June.	3	10 \$3 75
HENRYI. Recurved and pendent flowers of rich apricot-yellow. Height 3 to 5 feet. Blooms in August.		3 75
LONGIFLORUM (Easter Lily). Pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers on stems 2 feet tall. Blooms in July		3 25
ORANGE TRIUMPH. Massive, chalice-shaped flowers of brilliant orange color. Height 3 feet. Blooms in June		3 00
REGALE. White trumpet flowers. Outside of petals flushed lilac- pink. Height 3 to 5 feet. Blooms in July		3 25
SPECIOSUM RUBRUM. Frosted-white, suffused rose-pink with dainty crimson spots. Blooms August and Sentember Height		
TIGRINUM. Rich salmon-orange with purplish block met		5 00
Blooms August and September. Height 3 to 4 feet	1 10	3 00

LYCORIS Magic Lily of the Orient

Known as the "Hardy Amaryllis," they produce daffodil-like foliage in spring. This dies down in early summer and, as if by magic, a flower spike suddenly appears in August. The soft pink, lily-like flowers are delightfully fragrant and are carried on 2 to 3-foot stems. Perfectly hardy; once established, they reappear each year.

Each 45c 10 for \$3.50

3 for \$1.20

